

MINUTES

—OF THE—

Sixty-Fourth Annual Session

—OF THE—

Tuskaloosa Baptist Association,

—HELD WITH—

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

Blocton, Bibb County, Ala., September 9, 1896.

OFFICERS:

J. H. CURRY, MODERATOR, JNO. T. BEALLE, CLERK.

The next session will be held with Big Sandy Church, near
Hull's Station, A. G. S. R. R.

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The Tuskaloosa Baptist Association met in its Sixty-fourth Annual Session with the First Baptist church of Blocton, Bibb county, Alabama, September 9, 1896.

Introductory Sermon, T. M. Barbour. Text, Second Timothy 1:9: "Who hath saved us, and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began."

After recess and dinner, assembled at 2:30 p. m. and joined in devotional service, led by J. H. Curry, who was re-elected Moderator.

Letters from the churches were read by N. N. Brown and L. O. Dawson.

NAMES OF CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.

Bethany—S. E. Hodge, Joseph Boswell, J. H. Price.
Bethel—N. N. Brown, W. S. Black.
Bibbville—W. T. Sansing, A. C. Riley, A. Holderfield.
Big Creek—N. T. Patton, R. N. Barringer.
Big Hurricane—W. W. Lawrence, S. W. Loggins.
Big Sandy—S. E. Phifer, J. D. Blocker, jr.
Blocton, First Church—W. L. Pratt, J. R. Redd, J. C. Jones, J. B. Davil, Wm. Dickey, John Wallace, William Smith, G. B. Lucas.
Blocton, Second Church—T. B. Dison, E. L. Nicolson, J. J. Radford, A. H. Crawford, W. H. Broadhead.
Blocton, Third Church—J. W. Jones, J. R. C. Jones, Andy Rolin, R. J. Crow.
Brookwood—Not represented.
Carroll's Creek—J. H. White, J. P. Hamner.
Cottondale—Not represented.
Flatwoods—John Patrick, E. Farley, H. W. Sloan.
Gilgal—M. B. Smith.
Hopewell—L. O. Brown.
Little Sandy—T. M. Barbour.
Mt. Moriah—W. F. Goodson, W. H. Allen, John Goodson.
Mt. Olive—J. C. Shamblin.
Mt. Paron—W. W. Watson, R. E. Hobson.
Mt. Pleasant—Not represented.
Mt. Zion—R. E. St. John, W. L. Hutchins, J. A. Curry.
Northport—J. H. Curry, J. T. Bealle, C. E. Rice, S. T. Palmer, jr.
Piney Grove—Not represented.
Pleasant Hill—Not represented.
Ruhamah—J. W. Osborne.
Sardis—W. W. Williams, D. J. Ward.

Shultz Creek--John Lowry, sr., A. C. Cox, E. M. Crider, A. F. Blake.

Siloam--M. W. Perry, John Boyd, J. H. Mize.

Tuscaloosa--L. O. Dawson, J. C. Brown, J. Ward, J. H. Foster, J. W. Reid, S. A. Yerby.

Vance--Joseph Tibbs, E. J. Carlyle, J. S. Quarles, R. Hogan, Epes Vance.

Windham Springs--E. D. Christian.

Woodstock--B. A. Thrasher, R. Brown, J. E. Wilson.

Received correspondence as follows:

Sipsey Association--Letter.

West Liberty Association--Rev. W. G. Hubbard.

Unity Association--Rev. J. G. Lowry.

Shelby Association--Rev. F. M. Woods.

Cahaba Association--Rev. A. R. Hardy.

Birmingham Association--Revs. J. M. McCord, G. T. Lee, B. D. Gray, M. T. Branham and H. H. Brown.

Orphan's Home--Jno. W. Stewart.

Alabama Baptist--J. G. Harris.

State Board of Missions--W. C. Bledsoe.

Young People's Union--Jno. D. Jordan.

Door was opened for reception of new churches, whereupon the Second Baptist Church of Bloetown came with letter of dismission from the Central Liberty Association, and was received. Also the Third Baptist Church of Bloetown, as a newly constituted church asked for admission into our body, and after due examination as to orthodoxy, was received.

Moderator appointed Special Committees:

Preaching--N. N. Brown, Pastor and deacons of First Church.

Documents--M. B. Smith, S. E. Phifer, W. F. Goodson.

Nominations--Joseph Tibbs, J. A. Curry, J. A. Lowry.

Finance--W. L. Pratt, Henry Boyd, R. N. Barringer.

Bro. R. A. Hardy made an earnest appeal to the churches of the Association for aid in building the Greensboro church.

The committee on preaching reported that there would be a session of the Association held in the Tabernacle to-night, and no preaching anywhere.

Bro. H. H. Brown spoke in behalf of a church extension association, which had just been organized in Birmingham.

The following resolutions, offered by Dr. J. H. Foster, were adopted:

Resolved, That this body recognize the justice of the claim of the Greensboro Baptist church on account of the loan of the cash proceeds of the sale of their house of worship, which proceeds were turned over to the Baptist State Convention and used by that body some years ago with the understanding that it should be returned if called for at any subsequent time.

Resolved 2, That we recommend that the churches as speedily as practicable send special contributions for this object to Rev. A. R. Hardy, Greensboro, Ala.

Adjourned to 7:30 p. m.

Met in Tabernacle pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Brethren F. M. Woods and A. R. Hardy.

Report on Education, special order of the evening, was read by L. H. Huff, and discussed by L. O. Dawson, after which a collection of about \$45 was taken to aid in seating Concert Hall of A. C. F. College of Tuscaloosa.

Adjourned to 8:30 to-morrow. Prayer by J. H. Curry.

SECOND DAY.

Convened at 8:30 a. m. Prayer by brethren T. M. Barbour and B. D. Gray.

Report on Aged and Infirm Ministers read and adopted, as follows:

We, your committee, beg leave to report, that after careful inquiry we find but one such minister in our Association, viz: Bro. N. H. Williams, of Vance, whom we consider worthy, and recommend that a collection be taken by this body for him. He is a member of the Harmony Association, but lives in our bounds.

Respectfully submitted.

J. J. LITTLE.

A motion was carried to defer the collection ordered in above report until 11 o'clock a. m., which was at that time taken and amounted to \$10.56.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Was read, spoken to by J. C. Brown, J. H. Curry, G. T. Lee, S. E. Hodge, N. N. Brown, E. M. Crider and adopted, as follows:

Let it be remembered that we, as Baptists stamp our seal of condemnation upon the Liquor Traffic, because we regard it as the crying evil of the present century; because it has wrought more damage than war, pestilence and famine combined; because it is ruining the noblest and most promising youths of our country; because it is filling our jails and penitentiaries with the worst of criminals; because it is literally breaking the hearts of mothers, daughters and sisters; because it is a menace to good government; because it visits untold misery and agony upon the heads of widows and orphans; because it is one of the most obstinate impediments to the spread of the gospel and the evangelization of the world; because its influence is always for the degradation, and not the elevation of mankind; because, finally, it is emphatically a SIN, and dragging down to ruin and to hell.

Well might we as christians pause and ask ourselves what are we doing to diminish and to ultimately demolish this arch-fiend and home destroyer? God grant that we may happily and speedily hit upon some scheme whereby this direful calamity may be subverted forever.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. C. BROWN.

Report on State Missions was read, discussed by W. C. Bledsoe, H. H. Brown, John G. Lowry, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

A year ago the State Board of Missions was about \$1,500 in debt; to-day it owes about \$800. It is doing the same kind of work that it has been doing for several years, viz: First, Missionary pastors, that is at points where help is necessary and the prospects justify the outlay. Second, Evangelists are employed in the several districts of the State as the means can be procured for their support. Third, Associational mission and colportage work in every Association that can be induced to employ one. Fourth, Holding of Institutes for preachers in conjunction with the Home Board. On these lines our new Corresponding Secretary, Dr. W. C. Bledsoe, is pushing the work. He is hindered by the need of money to pay the debt of the Board and to enlarge the work in the several departments, which our growing population demands. He who is not interested in State Missions is not thoughtful of the needs for our Zion's growth and prosperity, and he who does not help by word and money is lacking in his duty to our crucified but risen Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. T. BEALLIE.

Adjourned to 2:30 p. m.

Convened at 2:30.

Report on Periodicals was read and adopted, as follows :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

Recognizing the great tendency of the people to read, and the unfortunate taste many of our people have for unwholesome literature, which has the same effect upon the mental constitution that bad food has upon the physical frame, we earnestly urge upon the pastors and people the important duty of directing the minds of the children to that which is healthy and invigorating. Furthermore, the proper management of our missionary enterprises and deepening and broadening the missionary spirit are largely dependent upon a thorough acquaintance with the details of that work. This can only be obtained by the reading of the organs of our various boards, namely, the Foreign Mission Journal, published at Richmond, Va., the Alabama Baptist, published at Montgomery, Ala., and by our Sunday Schools using the Southern Baptist Convention's series of Sunday School helps published at Nashville, Tenn., also the State Mission Quarterly, published at Montgomery, Alabama.

We cannot hope that our churches will cease playing at missions and go to work until they regularly read these periodicals.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. WARD, Chairman.

Report on Sunday Schools read by M. B. Smith.

Report of S. S. Convention read by J. C. Brown.

Motion carried to append the report of Sunday School Convention to report of Committee on Sunday Schools. The reports were spoken to by L. O. Dawson, J. H. Mize, and adopted, as follows :

There are about two-thirds of the churches in our Association that report Sunday Schools, with an enrollment of about one thousand pupils, out of a population of at least three thousand that ought to be in Baptist Sunday Schools.

"This is but little increase, if any, over last year's report, though we think some of the clerks of the churches failed to make report of their schools. We urge you, brethren, to make full reports of your schools.

We recommend that the superintendents, teachers especially, and all members of the churches who can, attend the meetings of our Sunday School Convention, for it will greatly aid them in their work.

Respectfully submitted,

M. B. SMITH, Chairman.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Since our last Association the Sunday School Convention has every reason to feel encouraged. We meet regularly every fifth Sunday and Saturday preceding. The public as a whole, are manifesting more interest in this movement, and attend it better than formerly, still there remains room for marked improvement. The height of our earnest desire (a Sabbath School in every church) has not yet been achieved. Several conversions have resulted from this convention. We endeavor to have programs arranged pertinent to Sabbath School work strictly. Brethren, too much importance can not possibly be attached to this strong arm and fruitful branch of the Tuskaloosa Association.

It is, from certain standpoints, pre-eminently a missionary work. It is our purpose to visit the most destitute churches and neighborhoods having no Sabbath School, and render them all the assistance in our power in uplifting and encouraging them spiritually. What grander and nobler work can any body or organization be engaged in? Aid us by your presence and your prayers in this worthy cause, and a rich harvest will eventually be gathered. We beseech you, brethren, to let this movement be ever near your heart.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. C. BROWN, Sec'y.

T. W. Palmer, L. O. Dawson and L. H. Huff were appointed a committee to devise ways and means to increase the efficiency and usefulness of our Sunday School Convention.

Report on Home Missions was read and discussed by J. H. Foster. Further discussion was made by B. D. Gray, W. C. Bledsoe, J. G. Lowry, L. H. Huff, H. H. Brown, L. O. Brown, G. T. Lee, and the report adopted, as follows :

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention propose to supply the gospel to the destitute of our whole Southern land, including the Indian Territory and Oklahoma, and to evangelize the Island of Cuba. Their influence has been felt and recognized in every Southern State, notably in Texas and Louisiana and Florida, and now by co-operation with the more recently organized State Boards, their great work is successfully progressing.

It would be difficult for Southern Baptists to calculate our indebtedness to this Board for the conservation of a pure christianity among us, and for the great enlargement of the sphere of our influence. Besides this, chiefly through their agency, the Indian tribes have been brought largely under the constraining power of Divine love, and many hundreds of Cubans have been marvellously freed from the shackles of Romanism, forged by the ages. They have also done a large share of the work already accomplished towards the evangelization of the

Southern negroes and of the foreigners who have located in the South.

Incentives to Foreign Mission work are found throughout the New Testament, in its teachings, its examples, its spirit. If we would glorify the Master, we must obey his last great commission. "Go ye into all the world, &c. * * * But all these incentives apply, with equal force, to Home Missions. We ought not to need any other incentive. But, if we do, then there is the powerful incentive of Christian patriotism added. Our whole population, native whites, foreigners, and negroes must be Christianized, if we would avoid internal throes, enjoy and transmit to our children, unimpaired, the free government of our fathers.

JOSHUA H. FOSTER, Ch'n.

Motion prevailed, that B. D. Gray and Jno. D. Jordan, of Birmingham, address the Association to-night, instead of L. O. Dawson preaching Missionary Sermon.

Report on Finance read and approved.

(See Financial Exhibit.)

Adjourned. Prayer by Dr. Whitten.

Pursuant to adjournment, met at 7:30 p. m.

Prayer by L. H. Huff.

John D. Jordan, Secretary of the Young People's Union, made a fine address in outline of his work. B. D. Gray spoke for Howard College, and nearly all the churches agreed to help pay the college debt.

Report on Education was approved, as follows :

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are glad to note that all our schools are in a flourishing condition. The people are more friendly toward our schools and more willing to support them than ever before. Howard College is in better condition now than it has been in some time. The large debt is being paid off rapidly. The Judson is in good condition and doing a fine work.

The S. B. T. Seminary, at Louisville, had over 300 students within her walls, and is looking forward for a still greater number in the year 1897. It is the largest theological school in the world.

The A. C. F. College, last but not least, is also doing nicely. The concert hall is being improved greatly, and will very soon be one of the most magnificent halls in the state. Let us rally to the support of the godly institutions.

Respectfully,

L. H. HUFF, Chairman.

Adjourned. Prayer by G. T. Lee.

THIRD DAY.

Met at 8:30 a. m., pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by M. B. Smith. Called Roll.

Report on Documents read and approved, as follows :

After careful examination of all letters received from the churches of the Association, we find increase in membership in ten of them,

decrease in nine. We find that in several, there is an indifference to the spirit and work of Missions. We respectfully recommend that all the churches constitute a more systematic plan for the support of our Mission work. Woodstock owes a balance on their church building of \$449.20, which is very little less than reported last year. Little Sandy has built a new house of worship at a cost of \$500, all paid for. Two churches have been added to our union—the Second church of Blocton, from the Mulberry Association, and the Third church of Blocton as a new church. We find that but few of the churches hold regular prayer meetings. We respectfully recommend that the clerks of the churches render fuller reports of their church work.

Humbly submitted,

M. B. SMITH.

Following is the report on Nominations as adopted :

We, your committee on Nominations, report as follows :

We recommend that the next session of this body be held with the Big Sandy church, beginning on Wednesday after the first Sunday in September, 1897. Rev. J. W. Lovelace to preach the Introductory Sermon; Jno. T. Bealle, alternate. To preach Missionary Sermon, J. H. Curry.

For Executive Committee—J. H. Foster, J. S. Yerby, J. H. Curry, F. S. Moody, L. O. Dawson, J. T. Bealle and J. M. Ward.

For delegate to Southern Baptist Convention—L. O. Dawson; alternate, Stephen Auxford and Samuel Yerby.

For delegates to Baptist State Convention—J. S. Yerby, J. C. Brown, L. L. Pumphrey, R. N. Barringer, S. E. Hodge, R. S. Cox and J. M. Loller.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH TIBBS.

Report on Orphan's Home was discussed by J. E. Wilson, T. M. Barbour, G. T. Lee. A collection of \$8.70 taken, and the report adopted, as follows :

REPORT ON THE ORPHAN'S HOME.

One of the sweetest words in the English language is the word Home; associated with it is Mother and Heaven.

There are many objects that deserve our attention. The educational interests of our denomination, State, Home and Foreign Missions, are all worthy objects and ought to receive our prayers, our attention, our thoughts, our sympathies and efforts, but the cause of the Orphan's Home does require our earnest efforts, sympathies and prayers.

We can speak of most any person and manifest deep concern for him, but when we speak of the fatherless and motherless—the homeless ones—our greatest sympathies ought to be aroused to the fullest extent.

Among all civilized people the care for the homeless has been given much attention, and in a special manner in a Christian country, and among a Christian people it ought to receive all due attention. In this country other denominations have long since taken active steps towards caring for the homeless.

We as Baptists have pushed forward, onward and upward other enterprises no more deserving than this one, and have neglected it until recently something seems to have touched some tender and sympathetic cord of our hearts and aroused us to action.

Now we have located at Evergreen, Ala., an Orphan's Home which was purchased two years ago at a cost of five thousand dollars, all of which is paid. Since last Association the Baptists of Alabama have

paid (\$2,500) two thousand and eight hundred dollars, the balance of the purchase money, and one thousand five hundred and thirty-four dollars and sixty-nine cents, besides some boxes of goods the price not given. Still it costs something to maintain the home of thirty-five children. Ten boys and thirteen girls have gone out by adoption and two boys by apprenticeship. The girls are never apprenticed, and boys only in rare cases.

The children attend the Agricultural school, and most of them are doing well. They all attend church and Sunday school, and are all under firm, steady, but loving control; eight of them have been baptized.

We have more applications to take children than we can approve for the lack of room. We are in pressing need of a cook room, dining room, laundry and a sick room. There is no time to come to a halt, no time for idleness, therefore let us give these dear ones our hearty support for the honor and glory of God. We ought to esteem it not only a duty but a privilege to care for the fatherless, motherless, homeless ones. We ought to care for them because it is a duty that God has enjoined upon us, and because they are bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh.

We must take care of them to keep pace with other denominations, who surround us, and who are seizing every opportunity to come to the front.

Humbly submitted.

J. E. WILSON, Chairman.

Following is the report on Foreign Missions as adopted:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In obedience to the direct command of the Lord to go into all the world and preach his gospel the Southern Baptists have opened missions in China, Africa, Italy, Brazil, Mexico and Japan. In China we have 19 churches and 31 missionaries, who last year baptized 157 converts.

Our 6 missionaries in Africa baptized 51.

Three workers in Italy baptized 79.

Eleven workers in Brazil baptized 273.

In Mexico 19 missionaries baptized 177.

In Japan, where all is new, our six workers baptized 3 converts.

Our total work is represented by 83 missionaries and 75 native helpers. The total baptisms are 735. The total membership in foreign lands is 4,295. The Sunday school scholars number 1,713. They contributed last year \$5,553.20, for all purposes—about \$1.25 for each member. Which is a great deal more than the great majority of our churches.

All the work has been done in the face of tremendous opposition at home and abroad. But the Lord is in it, and victory is sure to come.

L. O. DAWSON, Chairman.

A unanimous vote of thanks was made the people of Blocton for their kind hospitality and royal entertainment during the session of the Association.

Motion carried to give to clerk moneys sent for Association purposes, for his services.

REPORT ON APPORTIONMENT.

Bethany.....	\$18	Cottondale.....	\$10
Bethel.....	15	Mt. Moriah.....	20
Bibbville.....	8	Mt. Olive.....	10
Flatwoods.....	10	Mt. Paron.....	10
Gilgal.....	30	Mt. Pleasant.....	10
Hopewell.....	10	Mt. Zion.....	15
Little Sandy.....	13	Northport.....	190
Piney Grove.....	5	Shultz Creek.....	15
Big Creek.....	20	Siloam.....	5
Big Hurricane.....	15	Tuscaloosa.....	400
Pleasant Hill.....	5	Vance.....	15
Sardis.....	15	Windham Springs.....	10
Big Sandy.....	30	Woodstock.....	20
Blocton, First.....	60	Brookwood.....	10
Blocton, Second.....	10	Carroll Creek.....	5
Blocton, Third.....	10		

Each church is requested to do its best to raise the amount apportioned it for objects of benevolence.

Moderator appointed the following Standing Committees :

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Temperance—T. M. Barbour, H. T. Burks, N. N. Browne.
 Sunday Schools—R. S. Cox, J. R. Hallman, J. R. Mosely.
 State Missions—Robison Brown, Joseph Tibbs, D. A. Brown.
 Home Missions—S. E. Hodge, W. H. Allen, D. J. Ward.
 Foreign Missions—F. S. Moody, R. E. Hobson, W. S. Black.
 Education—J. Henry Foster, J. T. Hayes, J. H. Mize.
 Periodicals—S. M. Black, M. P. Champion, R. N. Barringer.
 Orphanage—J. M. McCord, J. C. Jones, J. J. Little.
 Aged and Infirm Ministers—L. O. Brown, John Shaw, L. R. Finnell.

Appropriate remarks were made by Bro. M. T. Branham and the Moderator. Sung hymn and gave parting hand.

Adjourned to meet with Big Sandy church, near Hull's Station, A. G. S. R. R.

J. H. CURRY, Moderator.

JNO. T. BEALLE, Clerk.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS, WITH THEIR POST OFFICES.

J. H. M. Anders, Coker, Ala.	T. M. Barbour, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
J. T. Bealle, Northport.	R. H. Blake, River Bend.
J. H. Curry, Northport.	L. O. Dawson, Tuscaloosa.
J. H. Foster, Sr., Tuscaloosa.	J. R. Fuller, Northport.
J. R. H. Inman, Brookwood.	S. E. Hodge, Humphrey.
L. H. Huff, Cottondale.	J. W. Loveless, Griffin.
Jos. Prater, Brookwood.	M. B. Smith, Tuscaloosa.
Jos. T. Vance	T. B. Whatley, Tuscaloosa.
J. E. Brown, Woodstock.	

LICENTIATES.

J. T. Anderson, Vance.	J. H. Mize, Scottsville.
C. C. Brown, Louisville, Ky.	

REPORT OF FIRST DISTRICT.

The meeting of the First District was held with Sardis church on the 24th and 25th of July, 1896. Introductory Sermon by L. H. Huff. A collection of \$2.89 was taken for missions.

The next meeting will be held with Vance church on Friday and Saturday before fourth Sunday in July, 1897. To preach Introductory Sermon, L. O. Dawson. Subjects for discussion: To what extent is the church responsible for the whisky traffic and its effects? J. S. Yerby. When members of the church are indifferent, why is it that souls are not converted? J. T. Hays. The Holy Spirit, is it attainable? W. F. Lowry.

J. T. HAYS, Clerk.

T. M. BARBOUR, Moderator.

REPORT OF SECOND DISTRICT.

The Second District met with Big Creek church on Friday before first Sunday in August, 1896. Introductory Sermon preached by S. E. Hodge. The next meeting will be held with Bethany church, Friday and Saturday before the third Sunday in August, 1897. Introductory Sermon, J. T. Bealle; alternate Felix Mills. Friday, In what does consecration to God and His service consist? S. E. Hodge. The law of Grace, J. H. Curry. Saturday: Scriptural Doctrine of Missions, J. T. Bealle. Qualification and Duties of Deacon: B. C. Sumner. Progress of Missions: R. S. Cox. J. D. HAMNER, Moderator.

J. R. BELL, Clerk.

STATISTICS OF TUSCALOOSA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—1896.

CHURCH.	COUNTY.	PASTOR.	CLERK.	CLERK'S P. O.	Increase by				Decrease by				Present Membership.	S. S. Officers and Teachers.	S. S. Pupils.	Preaching Sabbaths.	Prayer Meetings.
					Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.	Discharge.						
Bethany	Tuscaloosa	S. E. Hodge	J. H. Price	Humphrey	80				1	1		85	5	40	3		
Bethel	"	W. G. Hubbard	J. N. Black	Crofting	51	1						52					
Bibbville	Bibb	W. T. Rodgers	W. T. Sanks	Woodstock	31							38		25	1		
Big Creek	Tuscaloosa	J. D. Hamner	H. C. Koster	Northport	70	2	1					68					
Big Hurricane	"	F. M. Hobson	L. L. Humphrey	Brookwood	100	8	2		4			88		30	1		
Big Sandy	"	L. H. Huff	J. D. Blocker	Hull	100		2					107	7	130	1		
Blocton, First	Bibb	J. M. McCord	J. B. Davis	Blocton	167	11	10	1	5	1	4	178	7	125	1		W
Blocton, Second	"	G. T. Lee	J. W. H. Broadhead	"		2			2	1		130		35	2	W	
Blocton, Third	"		J. R. C. Jones	"								54					
Brookwood	Tuscaloosa		J. E. Hamner	Northport	50							52		36	1		
Carroll's Creek	"	J. W. Lovelace	J. H. Anders	Northport	12	6	4	1				17	3	32	2		
Cottondale	"	Jno. T. Bealle	A. W. Thompson	Northport	119		2			1		121	0	40	4		
Flatwoods	Tuscaloosa	L. H. Huff	D. A. Browne	Tuscaloosa	52	4	3					56	4	25	1		
Galgal	"	J. T. Bealle	J. H. Ryan	"	26							26					
Hopewell	"		J. H. Ryan	"	36							32					
Little Sandy	"	G. T. Lee	John Goodson	Vance	58	1	5	1	6	3	2	54					
Mr. Moriah	Bibb	J. H. M. Anders	J. C. Kizer	Northport	70	3	6		8	1		70					2
Mr. Olive	Tuscaloosa	J. W. Lovelace	J. C. Dockery	"	27	4						30					1
Mr. Paron	"			"	40							40					
Mr. Pleasant	"			"	40							40					
Mr. Zion	"	J. W. Lovelace	Frank Whatley	Tuscaloosa	114							105					W
Northport	"	J. H. Curry	R. S. Cox	Northport	190	2	7	18	5	2	174	10	40	1K3			
Piney Grove	"			"	49							25					
Pleasant Hill	"			"	30							30					
Sardis	"	W. G. Hubbard	W. W. Williams	Pearl	52			1	1			54					4
Shultz Creek	Bibb	S. Smitherman	W. F. Lowry	River Bend	52	25	6	2	40	1	1	74		50			
Silom	"	B. P. McGraw	M. W. Perry	Scottsville	19	5						23	4	20			
Tuscaloosa	"	L. O. Dawson	Robison Brown	Tuscaloosa	369	37	25	31	1	3	397	21	220	CV 8	W		
Vance	"	L. H. Huff	R. M. Vance	Vance	33	2	7					41	4	45	3		
Vance	"	L. E. Hodge	J. M. Loller	Windham Sp'ngs	25							24					2
Windham Sp'ngs	"	S. E. Hodge	J. U. Ray, Sr.	Woodstock	35	2	4	1				39	5	60	1		
Woodstock	Bibb	M. T. Branham	J. W. Osburn	Cottondale	13							12					
Ruhamah	Tuscaloosa	J. M. Marcum															
Total					2198	121	86	8	139	15	5	24	2263	79	1003		

S. S. SUPERINTENDENTS' NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS: Bethany—S. E. Hughes, Humphrey, Big Sandy—B. M. Phifer, Phifer, Blocton, First—W. W. Perry, Blocton. Blocton, Second—A. H. Crawford, Blocton, Carroll's Creek—William Hamner, Northport. Flatwoods—W. H. Sloan, Northport. Galgal—H. H. Reid, Tuscaloosa. Hopewell—D. A. Brown, Tuscaloosa. Mr. Moriah—W. H. Allen, Vance. Mr. Paron—W. W. Watson, Northport. Northport—C. E. Rice, Northport. Silom—M. W. Perry, Scottsville. Tuscaloosa—T. W. Palmer, University. Vance—J. S. Charles, Vance. Woodstock—J. M. Rolan, Woodstock. Names of Churches received from other Associations: Second Baptist, Blocton, from Mulberry Association.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF TUSCALOOSA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1896.

CHURCHES.	MISSIONS.						EDUCATION.				HOME EXPENSES.									
	STATE.		HOME.		FOREIGN.		Church Buildings.		Bible Colportage.		Ministerial Buildings.		Orphan's Home.		Purposes.		HOME EXPENSES.			
					(Not at home.)				Colportage.											
	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Minutes.	Associational	Pastor's Salary.	Repairs, Fuel, etc	Sunday-schools.	TOTAL.
Bethany	1 16		2 00			2 00									1 00	50	35 00			37 66 \$
Bethel	1 00														1 00	25	60 00			300 00
Bibbville	80														75	25	60 00			9 14
Big Creek	2 50					2 50									75	25				2 31
Big Hurricane			75												1 25	25				6 00
Big Sandy		4 41		3 60			2 70								1 94	50	360 00	100 00		3 25
Blocton, First church															2 00	50	35 00			400 00
Blocton, Second ch.															1 00	2 00	30 00			800 00
Blocton, Third ch			25			50		25							1 00	50				1 400 00
Brookwood															50	25	25 00			250 00
Carroll's Creek			4 00																	2 75
Cottondale							1 30								1 00	50	35 00			200 00
Fatwoods	2 00		1 30				1 50								2 00	1 00	125 00			1 500 00
Gilgal	1 00		1 50			4 65									55	75	20 00			1 000 00
Hopewell	2 00		3 00			3 00									1 00	35				800 00
Little Sandy		80		2 16		1 00									1 25					500 00
Mt. Moriah															50					200 00
Mt. Olive															75	(0	25 00			250 00
Mt. Paron	3 50														75	40 00				200 00
Mt. Pleasant																				
Mt. Zion						1 05									50	50	5 00			300 00
Northport	18 38		7 00			8 90	17 35								2 00	2 00	400 00	20 00		1 500 00
Woodstock	1 00		1 00			1 00									1 50	50	100 00			2 000 00
Sardis			2 40												50	25	33 50			200 00
Shultz Creek															1 00	50	51 52			700 00
Siloam																				
Tuscaloosa			1 00			1 00									40	25	1130 24	240 70		20 000 00
Vance	60 00		50 00			50 00									63 20	2 50	30 60 00			1 800 80
Windham Springs	2 12		2 00			2 02									2 00	50	60 00			20 000 00
Ramah															50	50				400 00
Collections at Ass'n															25			10 56		200 00
Total	\$32 46	\$48 21	\$23 40	\$40 81	\$26 60	\$58 52	\$29 35								\$41 58	\$73 67	\$250 26	\$45 26	\$137 30	\$34 700 00



ORDER OF EXERCISES.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Presentation of Letters from the Churches, and Election of Officers.
3. Receive Correspondence.
4. Return Correspondence.
5. Open the Door for the Reception of New Members.
6. Appoint Special Committees, viz: 1. On Preaching. 2. On Documents. 3. On Nominations. 4. On Finance.
7. Reports of Standing Committees, viz: 1. On Temperance. 2. On Sunday Schools. 3. On State, Home, and Foreign Missions. 4. On Education. 5. On Aged and Infirm Ministers. 6. On Periodicals. 7. Executive Committee.
8. Orphans' Home.
9. Miscellaneous Business.
10. Appointment of Standing Committees.
11. Give parting hand.